2009 SC Annual School Report Card Summary

St Stephen Elementary
Berkeley
Grades: PK-5   Enrollment: 474
Principal: Elaine Norton, Ed.D.
Superintendent: Dr. Anthony L. Parker
Board Chair: Douglas Cooper

PERFORMANCE

Comprehensive detail, including definitions of ratings, performance criteria, and explanations of status, is available on www.ed.sc.gov and www.eoc.sc.gov as well as school and school district websites. Printed versions are available from school districts upon request.

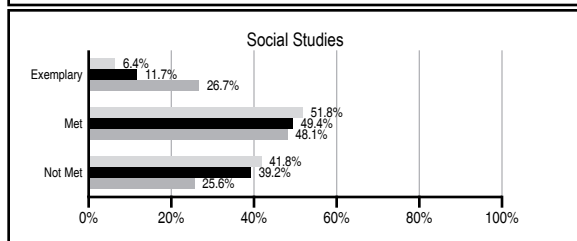| YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2009	Below Average	At-Risk	TBD	TBD	Met	N/A
2008	Below Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Met	N/A
2007	Below Average	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
1	2	50	49	30

Ratings are calculated with data available by 06/01/2010. Schools with Students Like Ours are Elementary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

PASS PERFORMANCE

Legend:
- Our School
- Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours
- Elementary schools statewide

English/Language Arts
- Exemplary: 25.6% / 21.1% / 36.9%
- Met: 42.7% / 41.8% / 38.9%
- Not Met: 31.7% / 37.1% / 24.2%

Mathematics
- Exemplary: 11% / 14.5% / 28.4%
- Met: 43.9% / 41.6% / 42.4%
- Not Met: 45.1% / 44.3% / 29.4%

Science
- Exemplary: 1.8% / 5.2% / 15.1%
- Met: 34.5% / 41.8% / 50%
- Not Met: 63.6% / 53.5% / 35.4%

Social Studies
- Exemplary: 6.4% / 11.7% / 26.7%
- Met: 51.8% / 49.4% / 48.1%
- Not Met: 41.8% / 39.2% / 25.6%

Writing
- Exemplary: 17.4% / 20.6% / 33.2%
- Met: 37.7% / 36.5% / 36%
- Not Met: 44.9% / 43.3% / 31%
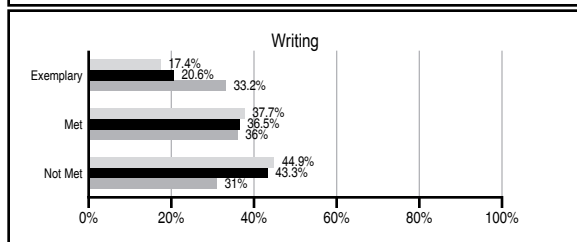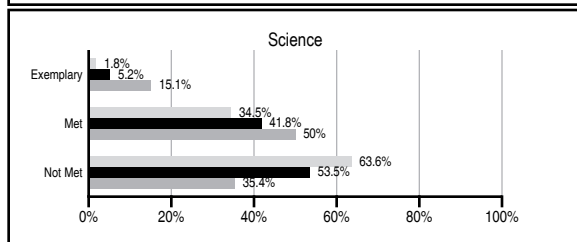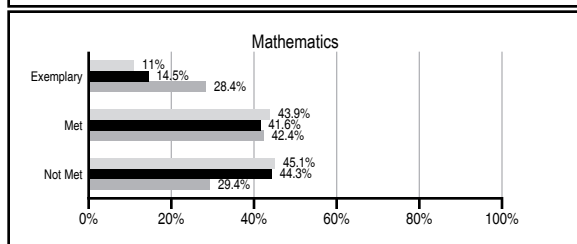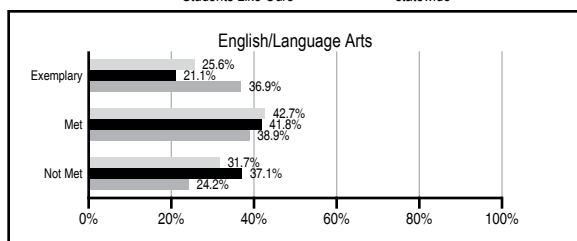
NAEP PERFORMANCE*

Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.

READING – GRADE 4 (2007)

	% Below Basic	% Basic, Proficient, and Advanced		
South Carolina	41	33	20	5
Nation	34	34	24	7

Below Basic □ Basic Proficient ■ Advanced

MATH – GRADE 4 (2007)

	% Below Basic	% Basic, Proficient, and Advanced		
South Carolina	20	44	31	5
Nation	19	43	33	5

Below Basic □ Basic Proficient ■ Advanced

SCIENCE – GRADE 4 (2005)

	% Below Basic	% Basic, Proficient, and Advanced		
South Carolina	36	39	23	2
Nation	34	39	25	2

Below Basic □ Basic Proficient ■ Advanced

SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

2010 Goal:
By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

2020 Vision:
By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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St Stephen Elementary [Berkeley]

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=474)				
Retention rate	4.9%	Down from 7.4%	2.6%	1.9%
Attendance rate	97.8%	Up from 97.6%	96.0%	96.3%
Eligible for gifted and talented	7.1%	Up from 3.6%	2.7%	10.0%
With disabilities other than speech	9.9%	Up from 9.5%	7.4%	7.7%
Older than usual for grade	3.3%	Up from 1.2%	1.2%	0.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=36)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	61.1%	Up from 46.7%	57.0%	59.4%
Continuing contract teachers	69.4%	Down from 73.3%	70.7%	80.0%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	89.5%	Up from 88.0%	81.2%	85.9%
Teacher attendance rate	95.5%	Up from 94.2%	95.2%	95.1%
Average teacher salary*	$47,331	Up 5.5%	$45,574	$47,149
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	0.5%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	11.4 days	Up from 9.6 days	11.0 days	11.1 days
School				
Principal's years at school	5.0	Up from 4.0	2.5	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	15.8 to 1	Down from 17.5 to 1	16.3 to 1	18.8 to 1
Prime instructional time	92.5%	Up from 90.9%	90.1%	90.4%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	No Change	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Good	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	$6,958	Up 2.8%	$8,730	$7,458
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	64.9%	Up from 63.3%	68.3%	68.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	59.7%	Up from 58.3%	61.8%	63.2%
% of AYP objectives met	100.0%	No Change	100.0%	100.0%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

St. Stephen Elementary School is a community oriented, rural school with 462 students. We are very proud of our students, community, staff, and our campus. Our school is rich in heritage and serves students in Pre- K through grade 5. We are an award winning school that believes in the adage that all children can learn and achieve high levels of academic success.

At St. Stephen Elementary we strive to create a culture of learning with a comprehensive curriculum that encourages students to strive for excellence at every developmental level, have high expectations, and become self-motivated.

The school has established great partnerships with local businesses, Ameri-Corp and Communities in School. Through these partnerships we are able to provide a wealth of extra services to our students, parents and the community.

As with many schools throughout the state, St. Stephen Elementary continues to face many challenges, but we are dedicated individuals who work together and live by our school motto, "Failure is not an option". We will persist in our search for great teaching strategies, motivational techniques, and effective curriculum delivery models, as we strive to make our school one in which all students love, every parent wants their child to attend and every teacher desires to work.

Dr. Elaine Norton, Principal
Tara Callaghan, SIC Chairperson

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	29	52	35
Percent satisfied with learning environment	96.6%	98.0%	91.4%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	96.6%	86.5%	100.0%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	89.3%	88.5%	85.7%

*Only students at the highest elementary school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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